

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080  
Naoki Hori, et al. : Confirmation Number: 8864  
Application No.: 10/574,345 : Group Art Unit: 2627  
Filed: April 03, 2006 : Examiner: BUTCHER, Brian M.  
For: PLAYBACK DEVICE

**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 24, 2009, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for continued examination is being concurrently filed herewith.